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LETTER DATED 14 MAY 1991 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, and further to our previous letters, I have the honour to bring to your attention a number of serious Iraqi violations of the terms of cease-fire between the Islamic Republic of Iran and Iraq during April 1991.

1. On 3 April 1991, Iraqi forces fired a cannon shell inside the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran at the GCs of NE 500-180 on the map of Ghasr-e-Shirin.

2. On 3 April 1991, Iraqi forces fired 12 cannon shells inside the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran at the GCs of ND 415-114 on the map of Khosravi.

3. On 12 April 1991, Iraqi forces fired 6 cannon shells inside the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran at the GCs of ND 48-23 to 50-26 on the map of Ghasr-e-Shirin.

4. On 12 April 1991, Iraqi forces were reinforced with the strength of 150 soldiers at the GCs of NC 86-06 on the map of Anjireh.

5. On 12 April 1991, Iraqi forces constructed a mine field at the GCs of PE 09-82 on the map of Saleh Abad.

6. On 12 April 1991, Iraqi forces constructed an Observation Post at the GCs of NC 83-09 on the map of Halaleh.

7. On 14 April 1991, Iraqi forces penetrated inside the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran at the GCs of ND 64-41 to 64-42 on the map of Ghasr-e-Shirin.

8. On 14 April 1991, Iraqi forces committed aggression against the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran at the GCs of ND 63-41 to 63-45 on the map of Ghasr-e-Shirin.

9. On 14 April 1991, Iraqi forces penetrated inside the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran at the GCs of ND 63-39 on the map of Ghasr-e-Shirin.

10. On 15 April 1991, Iraqi forces penetrated inside the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran at the GCs of ND 49-22 on the map of Ghasr-e-Shirin.

11. On 17 April 1991, an Iraqi aircraft violated airspace of the Islamic Republic of Iran at the GCs of PB 00-70 to 10-65 and 00-58 on the map of Mehran.

12. On 18 April 1991, Iraqi forces photographed Iranian defensive lines at the GCs of NC 429-635 on the map of Naft Shahr.

These violations follow a persistent policy of the Government of Iraq to foster tension along the internationally recognized boundaries attempting to project outside its internal difficulties. The Islamic Republic of Iran has exercised maximum restraint in dealing with these violations which have included blatant acts of aggression and occupation of Iranian territory. It has, therefore, consistently raised these violations with Iraqi officials in Tehran, Baghdad and at the border in order to prevent exacerbation of a situation already tense because of the massive influx of Iraqi refugees into the Islamic Republic of Iran. This approach has been successful in averting military confrontation.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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